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Tapes of Library Chamber Music Series Again Available for Delayed Broadcast

The Music Division and Recording Laboratory of the Library of Congress are once again offering to radio stations throughout the United States tape recordings, for delayed broadcast, of the Library's current chamber music concert series. For the 15th successive year, the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress makes these tapes available at a reduced rate, considerably less than the actual cost to the Library of making and distributing the tapes.

The Library's concerts of chamber music originate in the Coolidge Auditorium, which is famed for its acoustic perfection, under the auspices of the Gertrude Clarke Whittall Foundation, Serge Koussevitsky Music Foundation, Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge Foundation, and the McKim Fund. They present outstanding artists of international renown and offer music ranging from the Renaissance to the newest works of today's composers, many of whom have been commissioned by the Coolidge or Koussevitsky Foundations or the McKim Fund.

Internationally recognized as a center for fine chamber music, the Library of Congress has presented the full range of classic repertoire of chamber music and many world premieres of contemporary works in its 54 years of weekly concerts and music festivals.

The current season will be of the same high quality. As in the past, the Juilliard String Quartet, the Library's resident ensemble, will figure importantly in the fall and spring concerts of the 1979-1980 season. The Juilliard will perform on Stradivari instruments donated to the Library for these concerts by the late Gertrude Clarke Whittall. Also to be presented during the 1979-1980 season are the Theatre Chamber Players of the John F. Kennedy Center, under the direction of Leon Fleisher; a new song cycle by Ned Rorem, *The Nantucket Songs*, premiered by soprano Phyllis Bryn-Julson accompanied by Mr. Rorem; a performance of Alban Berg's *Chamber*

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Concerto for violin, piano, and thirteen winds; Manuel de Falla's *Master Peter's Puppet Show* performed by the New York Chamber Soloists; and a concert by the Toulouse Chamber Orchestra. There will be other famous artists apearing, making a total of 26 different programs for the 1979-1980 season available for broadcast.

Under the terms of the Louchheim Fund, which is intended to disseminate the Library's concerts to a national audience, tape recordings can be made available only to radio stations licensed for broadcast; tapes are not available to individuals. Subscription to the series is offered on a first-come, first-served basis, and only one radio station in a given metropolitan area may have exclusive broadcast rights.

Both monaural and stereophonic tapes are available, produced on equipment of professional quality. The tapes include program notes for each concert, read by a professional broadcaster from radio station WETA in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area.

Radio stations wishing further information on programs or subscriptions should write to the Recording Laboratory, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Summary Annual Report Issued

The Library of Congress has recently published a 32-page summary of its *Annual Report* for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978. The booklet presents the reader with brief descriptions of the varied activities of the Library during the year and reports on major accomplishments of that period. The longer *Annual Report of the Librarian of Congress* was also recently issued by the Government Printing Office.

The *Library of Congress Information Bulletin* is issued weekly by the Library of Congress and distributed free of charge to publicly supported libraries and research institutions, academic libraries, learned societies, and allied organizations in the United States.

Comparable institutions and organizations in other countries may arrange to receive the *Bulletin* on the exchange basis by applying in writing to the Library's Exchange and Gift Division. All other correspondence should be addressed to the LC *Information Bulletin*, Information Office, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Of major import in fiscal 1978 was the reorganization of the Library's administrative structure, the first in 38 years, initiated by Librarian Daniel J. Boorstin to serve better the needs of the Library's many publics. The Library also established the Center for the Book in order to enhance appreciation of the book and the printed word. Worthy of note too was the Library's entrance into a new era of employee relations through union representation, as the Library signed labor contracts with the American Federation of State, Local, and Municipal Employees Locals 2910 and 2477.

The Library's Congressional Research Service expanded and upgraded its responses to Congressional needs during the year, undertaking a total of 1,149 major projects and handling more than 300,000 telephone inquiries. Through its 84 seminars and workshops, CRS entertained a broad range of subjects, from SALT II to the Bakke decision. The reference rooms handled more than 90,000 requests and helped visitors to use their facilities in over 48,000 instances.

Holdings within the Library's collections again increased at record pace, now totalling almost 75 million items, of which 18.6 million are books and pamphlets. Readers drew over two million books and other items from the collections for use on the premises and requested 250,000 more on interlibrary loan.

The Library, through its reorganization, also stepped up its outreach programs, making information about its collections and activities more accessible through publications, musical and literary programs, concerts and traveling exhibits, and the expansion of its services to the blind and physically handicapped. The Library's Copyright Office had an exceptionally busy year, reorganizing to carry out the new copyright legislation that went into effect on January 1, 1978.

The Library of Congress: A Brief Summary of the Major Activities for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 1978 (ISSN 0162-6426) is available free upon request from the Library of Congress, Central Services Division, Washington, D.C. 20540.

The Library's full *Annual Report* (ISSN 0083-1565; xvii, 79 p. plus appendixes) is available for $7.50 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 (Stock No. 030-000-00104-4).

COLD REGIONS Data Base Available On-line

The data base compiled in the Library's Science

and Technology Division by the Cold Regions Bibliography Project is now available for on-line searching through the nationwide ORBIT Retrieval System operated commercially by the System Development Corp. (SDC) of Santa Monica, Calif.

Maintained in the Library on magnetic tape in a modified MARC format, the data base was begun in 1968 to provide more contemporary methods for packaging and repackaging the bibliographic data that the Project had been culling from the world literature since 1949 for its sponsor, the U.S. Army Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory (CRREL) in Hanover, N.H., and its predecessor SIPRE, the Snow, Ice, and Permafrost Research Establishment.

In 1972, with support from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to develop a "Polar Prototype Bibliography System," the data base and its accompanying support system were modified, in cooperation with the Library's former Information Systems Office, to accommodate the needs of a cosponsor, the Division of Polar Programs of NSF. Since that time, a single, common data base has served to produce a variety of different bibliographic products separately tailored to the needs of the two sponsors. Principal among these, aside from monthly abstract bulletins and various cumulated indexes, are two bibliographies that are photocomposed directly from the data base using the VideoComp equipment in the Cataloging Distribution Service, the *Antarctic Bibliography*, published by the Library for the NSF, and the *Bibliography on Cold Regions Science and Technology*, published by CRREL from negatives furnished by the Library.

Among the searches performed during the testing period that preceded the formal release of COLD REGIONS through ORBIT, only one was conducted in public, but under unusual circumstances. In September 1978, a test version of the data base in Santa Monica was searched on-line from the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (C.N.R.S.) in Paris during the Seventh Northern Libraries Colloquy, using the C.N.R.S.'s established line of communication with SDC. Even that was not the first on-line search of the data. The Japanese Institute of Polar Research, which has been receiving the data base on tape from the Library since early 1977 through an information exchange agreement, has been searching the data through its own on-line system.

The selection from the world literature that is abstracted, indexed, and made machine-readable by the Library's Cold Regions Bibliography Project reflects the interests of the project's sponsors: for NSF, very broad subject coverage, including historical, social, and political aspects, but limited geographically to the antarctic and sub-antarctic areas; for CRREL, cold regions science, technology, and engineering, wherever they may occur. Specifically, COLD REGIONS covers the *Antarctic Bibliography* from 1962 (Volume 1) to date, and the *Bibliography on Cold Regions Science and Technology* from 1969 (Volume 23) to date. The initial file contains over 60,000 citations, and about 1,350 will be added each quarter. The cost of searching COLD REGIONS through ORBIT is $65 per computer-connect hour and 15 cents per citation.

Citations in COLD REGIONS are indexed by subject and by geographic area (when appropriate), giving country and place name. In the case of the United States and Canada, a three-level index is used, giving country, state or province, and place name. Source documents originate from many nations, and include maps, patents, manuscripts, journal articles, monographs, technical reports, and conference papers.

U.S. Government technical reports contained in COLD REGIONS may be obtained from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) through SDC's Electronic Maildrop System. Hard copies of many of the journals cited will be available through SDC's ORDER OATS and ORDER UMI. Copies on microfiche or page-for-page reproductions from microfiche may be obtained for any document not restricted by copyright from the Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Register of Copyright Testifies

Register of Copyrights Barbara Ringer testified before the Subcommittee on Communications, Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, U.S. House of Representatives, on June 28. The Register's testimony concentrated on Section 453(a)(2), the retransmission consent provision of H.R. 3333, the bill which would have been a rewrite of the Communications Act of 1934. The Register stated that she opposed "retransmission consent" because "it would be illegal for any person within the jurisdiction of the United States to 'rebroadcast or otherwise retransmit any program or portion of a program originated by a broadcast station without the express authority of such station or of the person who owns or controls the exclusive rights to the program involved.' "

She gave four basic and interrelated reasons for her opposition. First, she said the provision would not work as intended "because it would substitute complete copyright exclusivity for the compulsory licensing provisions of the copyright act." She refer-

red to the growth of the cable industry, the responses to it by broadcasters and copyright owners, the impact of FCC regulations and copyright legislation in the last 10 years, and said that these make the optimistic predictions of the proponents hard to accept. She told the subcommittee that she believed that substituting the principle of exclusivity would produce massive retransmission denials rather than consents. She stated that in enacting the CATV compulsory licensing provision, Congress feared that the market place would not be able to function adequately in this area, and concluded "that it would be impractical and unduly burdensome to require every cable system to negotiate with every copyright owner whose work was transmitted a cable system."

Second, she said that "the need for the provision had not been shown." She pointed out that the CATV compulsory licensing provisions have now been in operation for less than two years, and distribution of collected royalty fees by the Copyright Royalty Tribunal (CRT) has not yet begun. She stated that she believed it was unfair to change a system that had not been given a chance to prove itself.

She told the subcommittee that "recent technological developments and a relaxation of FCC common-carrier rules have resulted in the greater use of space satellites in the transmission to cable systems of distant signals." She said that "the parties may not have had the foresight to appreciate fully the significance of this development but that even this does not justify the drastic measures that had been proposed." She suggested that it might be desirable for Congress to consider a clarifying amendment concerning superstations if the FCC changed certain rules.

Third, she said "even if some change is needed, the provision goes too far." She indicated that if Congress were to accept retransmission consent, and conclude that compulsory licensing is a mistake, "it would be necessary to refine the provision to avoid injustice and chaotic litigation." She included in her prepared statement five specific questions that the provision raised.

Fourth, she said, "if enacted, the provision would undermine existing copyright law." She told the subcommittee that "passage of Section 453(a)(2) in its present form would have serious implications, not only for Section 111 but also for the viability of and necessity for other compulsory licenses included in the Copyright Act."

She concluded her testimony by urging the subcommittee to consider two amendments to the bill:

(1) Deletion of the retransmission consent requirement in section 453(a)(2) and of the corresponding provisions dealing with civil actions under that requirement in section 548;

(2) Addition of a section (or possibly a new paragraph in section 805) mandating the Copyright Royalty Tribunal to make a thorough, comprehensive, and fully documented study of all aspects of the compulsory licensing provisions of section 111 and the related provisions in Chapter 5 and 8 of the Copyright Act as they have operated in practice, and to report it findings, with recommendations to Congress by the end of 1981.

H.R. 3333 has since been dropped by the Subcommittee on Communications.

Library of Congress Publications

New Publication

"Moonlight Dries No Mittens": Carl Sandburg Reconsidered. ISBN 0-8444-0284-2. Washington, D.C., 1979. (13 p.) A lecture by Daniel Hoffman, former consultant in poetry to the Library of Congress, delivered in January 1978 and reprinted from the Winter 1979 issue of *The Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress.* For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 for $1.25 (Stock No. 030-000-00108-7).

Ongoing Publications

Accessions List: Eastern Africa. ISSN 0090-371X. Vol. 12, No. 4. July 1979. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Consulate General, Karachi, Pakistan.

Accessions List: Southeast Asia. ISSN 0096-2341. Vol. 4, No. 12, pt. 2. December 1978. Annual Author Index. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Accessions List: Sri Lanka. ISSN 0090-3736. Vol. 13, No. 1. June 1979. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Digest of Public General Bills and Resolutions. ISSN 0012-2785. 96th Congress, 1st Session. Cumulative Issue No. 1, 1979. (Various pagings) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 for $15 this issue or $75 per session, domestic, and $93.75 a session, foreign (LC 14.6:96/1/1-2).

FLC Newsletter. ISSN 0014-5939. No. 111. May/June 1979. (9 p.) Free upon request from the Federal Library Committee, Library of Congress, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20540.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Sports Medicine. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB 79-5) July 1979. (9 p.) Compiled by Constance Carter, this reference aid provides a systematic guide to "published sources of information describing medical problems often encountered by individuals participating in various sports, together with suggestions for the management of commonly sustained injuries and methods for their prevention." Copies may be obtained free from the Reference Section, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540. Copies have also been provided to the Superintendent of Documents for distribution to depository libraries.

Monthly Checklist of State Publications. ISSN 0027-0288. **Index** to Vol. 69 (1978). (pp. 1193-1407) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents for $2.10 (LC 30.9:69/Index).

Monthly Checklist of State Publications. ISSN 0027-0288. Vol. 70, No. 8. August 1979. (pp. 743-856) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents for $1.50 for single monthly issues, except June and December for $2.45, or $21.90 a year, domestic, and $27.40, foreign (LC 30.9:70/8).

Newspapers in Microform. ISSN 0097-9627. 1978 Annual Supplement. (xiii, 144 p.) This publication is designed to provide bibliographic control for newspapers that have been reproduced in microform and are housed permanently in United States and foreign libraries, as well as in the vaults of domestic and foreign commercial producers of microforms. The 1978 supplement is available from the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20541, for $20. Also available are the two-volume 1948-1972 cumulation for $40 and the two-volume 1973-1977 cumulation for $50.

The following reports, prepared by legal specialists in the Law Library in response to Congressional requests, are now available for wider distribution. Copies may be obtained from the Law Library, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Contemporary Italian Terrorism: Analysis and Countermeasures by Vittorfranco S. Pisano. 1979. (185 p.)

Travel Abroad and Emigration under New Rules Adopted by the Government of Hungary by William Sólyom-Fekete. 1979. (104 p.)

PRC Establishes Library Association

According to Chinese sources, the Chinese Library Association was established during a meeting which was held in Taiyuan, provincial capital of Shanxi Province, in the latter part of July. The association's first council elected Liu Jiping as president. Mr. Liu is the director of the National Library of Beijing (Peking), the largest library in China with a book collection of more than nine million volumes.

The new association adopted regulations and outlined its aims: to organize research, to produce publications, to conduct academic exchanges with foreign libraries and librarians, and to introduce achievements in library science at home and abroad.

There are about 12,000 libraries in China at present. The association also published its first issue of the *Tu shu guan xue tong xun* (Library Science Bulletin) recently. The first issue carries 10 articles dealing with various subjects on library science.

Also, China's first national meeting on library science was held in Taiyuan at the same time. Attending this meeting were 200 representatives from various local library associations and libraries in Beijing. Liu Jiping, speaking at the meeting, called for the establishment of a nationwide library network to keep pace with China's modernization efforts. In addition, 174 papers on library science were delivered at the meeting, including such topics as theory of library science, bibliography, library design and construction, subject classification, and the modernization of library work.

New Reference Works

The Institute for the Translation of Hebrew Literature, Tel Aviv, has recently published the first issue of its proposed semiannual *Bibliography of Modern Hebrew Literature in Translation*. The aim of the publication is to update and extend the scope of Yohai Goell's *Bibliography of Modern Hebrew Literature in English Translation* (Jerusalem, 1968) and *Bibliography of Modern Hebrew Literature in Translation* (Tel Aviv, 1975). The work will inventory fiction, poetry, drama, essays, humor and satire, as well as critical writings (in this category works not originally written in Hebrew are also to be included) and book reviews, which appeared in periodicals and monographs. Each year a specific period of time will

be covered (in 1979 the issues will focus on the years 1972-1976, with the first issue being devoted to English, and the second to other languages).

Isaac Goldberg, the bibliography's compiler, was formerly employed in the Descriptive Cataloging Division of the Library of Congress and was later director of libraries at Bar-Ilan University, Tel Aviv. He has served as bibliographer of the Institute for the Translation of Hebrew Literature since 1978.

[*Ellen R. Murphy*]

Shimeon Brisman's *A History and Guide to Judaic Bibliography* (New York, N.Y., Ktav Publishing House, Inc., 1977) is a pioneering effort, coming at a most opportune time, and reflects the needs and desiderata of the growing number of Hebraic collections throughout the world and expanding Hebraic publishing activities. Heretofore Hebraic librarianship had perforce been a self-acquired art, at best a slow and painful process. Scattered bits of information there were aplenty, but no coordinated whole to introduce one to this complex subject.

It is, therefore, almost impossible to exaggerate the precious time and effort this indispensable work will save librarians, bibliographers, collectors, and researchers engaged in the pursuit of every aspect of Hebraica, Yiddica, and Judaica, and the plethora of sources it will bring to their attention.

First of a projected three-volume treatise of Jewish Research Literature, and copublished by the Hebrew Union College Press of Cincinnati, its eight chapters discuss general Hebraica bibliographies, catalogs of Hebraica book collections, bio-bibliographical works, subject bibliographies of Hebraica literature, Judaica bibliographies, bibliographical periodicals, indexes to Jewish periodicals and monographs, and miscellaneous Jewish bibliographical works.

Combining sound scholarship and linguistic expertise with pedagogic skills, Mr. Brisman rendered a non-glamorous subject both interesting and informative.

A copy of the work may be consulted in the Hebraic Section, TJB-1006 (Z6366. B8 1977 Vol. 1). [*Lawrence Marwick*]

The Magazine Index (Los Altos, Calif., Information Access Corporation) is a new, highly ambitious service that indexes comprehensively more than 370 popular American periodicals from cover to cover. The file is arranged under names, Library of Congress subject headings (with cross references), and additional natural language headings as necessary. Its comprehensive coverage includes all articles, news columns, product evaluations, editorials, short stories, poetry, recipes, and biographical items. For an article with vague or non-descriptive titles, annotations are added to the entry. All periodicals have been indexed retrospectively to the beginning of 1976. Authors of individual articles are indentified in title and subject entries as well as under the authors' names. Reviews of books, recordings, retaurants, circuses, and icecapades are included. Reviewers are identified as well as the authors of works being reviewed. Additionally, directors, producers, actors, musicians, and those responsible for the artistic merit of the item being reviewed are indexed under their names. All reviews are graded by the reviewers A (excellent) to F (terrible). *The Magazine Index* also lists published evaluations of new products and these are entered by the specific name of the product as well as by the subject.

The Magazine Index is issued monthly in microform and is also available on-line to subscribers to Lockheed's DIALOG information retrieval service. After five years of entries have been accumulated on the film, the oldest month's citations will be dropped and accumulated in annual printed volumes to contain all entries dropped during a year.

To facilitate use of *The Magazine Index*, two loose-leaf services are included in subscriptions. The first, *Hot Topics*, selects 20 to 30 current topical subjects and provides a printed list of articles on these topics that appeared recently. *Product Evaluations*, the second, provides a similar printed list of product reviews and articles appearing in *The Magazine Index* periodicals.

A significant weakness of *The Magazine Index* is its lack of name authority control although such control is claimed in promotional literature. A casual browse through a small portion of the file displays different articles filed under the entries "Kiss (MUSIC GROUP)," "Kiss (ROCK GROUP)," and "Kiss (music group);" "Kissinger, Henry," and "Kissinger, Henry A.;" and "Kistiakowsky, G. B.," "Kistiakowsky, George," and "Kistiakowsky, George B."

Self-contained, motorized, pushbutton microfilm readers containing *The Magazine Index* are available in the Main Reading Room, the Newspaper and Current Periodical Reading Room, and the Thomas Jefferson Reading Room. Sets of the loose-leaf services, *Hot Topics* and *Product Evaluations*, are available in the Main and the Newspaper and Current Periodical Reading Rooms. [*John W. Kimball*]

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STAFF NEWS

Elmer King Retires

Elmer S. King (known to all as "Buddy"), assistant chief for technical services, Photoduplication Services, retired from the Library of Congress on August 3 after completing 38 years of Government service. Except for two periods, totalling five years,

with the U.S. Navy, his entire Federal career was devoted to the work of the Photoduplication Services, where he started as a microphotographer.

Mr. King's career at the Library was marked by loyalty and dedication to the Library and its work. All those who worked with him valued his consistently cooperative, constructive, and professional manner in resolving problems and completing assignments. During his career at the Library, he was awarded two quality increases and was presented an Incentive Award for his contribution in developing the process for high-volume reproduction of catalog cards on the Xerox copyflo printer. At his retirement reception, Mr. King received the Library's Superior Service Award.

Mr. and Mrs. King will retire to their home in Clearwater, Fla.

Barbara Roland Named Chief, Automation Planning and Liaison Office

Barbara Roland, former chief of the MARC Editorial Division, has been appointed chief of the Automation Planning and Liaison Office effective August 20. Working in this new position with the Assistant Librarian for Processing Services, she will have responsibility for automation planning, the coordination of automation planning, and the coordination of automation systems with each other in the department, and with manual procedures. She will also have responsibility for recommending to the Assistant Librarian for Processing Services, and to the three directors for acquisitions and overseas operations, cataloging, and catalog maintenance, production and publication, the organization, staffing, equipment, and other resources of Processing Services in order to achieve maximum production of high quality machine-readable cataloging records.

Well qualified to handle the duties of this new position, she has a bachelor of arts degree from San Francisco State College, and a master's degree in library science from the University of California at Berkeley, where she has also completed the class work towards a doctorate. She worked for over two years at the university library where she supervised cataloging classes, revised student work, and did some cataloging. She came to the Library of Congress as a cataloger in the Descriptive Cataloging Division in May 1968. She participated in the establishment in 1969 of the MARC Editorial Office, the predecessor of the MARC Editorial Division, and has in the 10 years since that time effectively supervised a staff which increased dramatically in size from 14 to over 100 employees.

Serving as head and then chief of an operation responsible for converting cataloging data into machine-readable form using the MARC format, she received, in recognition of her work, outstanding performance ratings in 1970, 1973, 1974, and 1975. The first 10 years of the MARC Editorial operation that she oversaw witnessed a dramatic increase in the number of records converted and added to the MARC data base, thus making that data base of enormous usefulness to the Library and to the library community. By July 15 of this year, the staff of MARC Editorial had input 1,107,240 bibliographic records. Her role in making this data base as large and useful as it is today has been a significant one.

Ann Hallstein to Head Records Management Division

Ann Hallstein was promoted to chief of the Copyright Office Records Management Division, effective July 30. She has served on the staff of the Library since 1973 when she was appointed a reference specialist in the Congressional Reference Division.

She has since served in several administrative and technical positions. She was appointed executive assistant in the Processing Department in 1976, and in 1977 was named head of the former Reader Service Section in the Stack and Reader Division, now the Collections Management Division. In 1978, she became planning assistant to The Librarian.

She received a bachelor of arts degree from Denison University in Granville, Ohio, and a master's degree in library science from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. She was a participant in the Library's 1975-76 Intern Program and is currently a member of the Library of Congress Intern Committee, board member of the Library of Congress Credit Union, and a member of the Serial Division softball team, which is undefeated this season.

Susan Aramayo Named Assistant Chief of Cataloging Division

Susan Aramayo, former chief of the Copyright Office Licensing Division, was appointed assistant chief of the office's Cataloging Division on August 13. Mrs. Aramayo has had wide work experience in the Library of Congress in the area of cataloging and administration. Although she will not be performing actual cataloging duties, she is looking forward to working with the theory of cataloging and to learning about a totally automated cataloging system.

After joining the Library in 1965 as a cataloger in the English Language Section, Descriptive Cataloging Division, she was selected the following year as one of the group of catalogers who initiated the Shared Cataloging Division. In this position, Mrs. Aramayo taught intensive cataloging courses to college graduates with language abilities with no previous cataloging training.

From 1967 to 1975, she was research assistant and later deputy chief instructor in the Cataloging Instruction Office. During this period, she taught courses on various aspects of cataloging to shelflisters, searchers in all parts of the Library, Law Library bibliographers, the Library Services Division of Congressional Research Services, and other special groups. She determined how these different groups used the catalog to perform their jobs and then developed a special approach for each group geared to their information needs. She has also conducted seminars in various parts of the Library on the International Standard Bibliographic Description (ISBD).

She left the Processing Department in 1975 to take a position as educational liaison officer in the Office of the Assistant Librarian of Congress for Public Education. During the two years she served in this capacity, she coordinated and administered the Library's visitor program.

In 1977, she joined the Copyright Office as the first chief of the newly established Licensing Division. She organized and staffed the division from its inception, developed procedures using automated techniques, and helped coordinate the implementation of four compulsory licenses.

She first became familiar with copyright cataloging in her position as a descriptive cataloger, when the Copyright Office was located in the Thomas Jefferson Building, and descriptive catalogers used the Copyright Card Catalog and record books extensively to research information on authors.

In 1965, she earned a master of library science degree from the University of Pittsburgh after graduating cum laude at the same school in 1963.

Her positions as vice president and president of the Library of Congress Professional Association in 1974 and 1975 respectively are examples of her active participation in staff and professional activities in the Library. In addition, she served on the Library's Intern Committee in 1977 and 1979. Mrs. Aramayo brings many talents and skills in communication, coordination, and administration to her new position.

Former Staff Member Dies

Virginia W. Brewer, who retired from the Library in 1969 after 43 years of service, died at her home in Hyattsville, Md., of lymphoma on August 8.

Born in Hampton, Va., she received a bachelor of arts and a master's degree in English from the University of Maryland, and also took courses in international affairs at George Washington University and American University.

Miss Brewer joined the staff of the Library as a periodicals assistant in the Law Library in 1926 and was later promoted to chief of the Law Library's Periodicals Section. Her career with the Congressional Research Service began with her transfer and promotion to the position of reference librarian in 1943. She was promoted to analyst in comparative government in 1948 and was named analyst in foreign policy in 1961. She continued to perform

research in her fields of specialization, international law and the law of the sea, in the post of analyst in international relations, to which she was assigned in 1962 and from which she retired.

Miss Brewer's survivors include a sister, Margaret Rowe, of University Park.

The family suggests that expressions of sympathy be in the form of contributions to the Prince George's County Humane Society, P.O. Box 695, Laurel, Md. 20810.

Kazys Skirpa Dies

Kazys Skirpa, former senior research analyst and unit supervisor in the Federal Research Division, died Saturday, August 18, at Suburban Hospital following a heart attack. Colonel Skirpa retired in 1965 after 15 years of service at the Library. After retiring, he wrote a well-documented book entitled *Uprising for the Restoration of Lithuania's Sovereignty*, which he completed in 1973.

A native of Lithuania and graduate of a military academy in Brussels, Belgium, he was commander of a regiment during Lithuania's War of Independence. He later became army chief of staff, and in 1927 was named military attaché in Germany. He represented Lithuania at the League of Nations and then served as an envoy to Poland and to Germany. The Lithuanians revolted during the Second World War against the Soviet occupation and in 1941 proclaimed the restoration of independence. Colonel Skirpa was named prime minister of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of Lithuania. Nazi Germany prevented him, however, from taking over his duties and the government was dissolved by the Germans six weeks later. Colonel Skirpa was then put under house arrest in Berlin and later banished to South Germany where he was put into a concentration camp which was eventually liberated by American forces.

He leaves his wife, Brone, a son, Kazys K., and two grandchildren, all of the District of Columbia. The family suggests that expressions of sympathy be in the form of contributions to the Lithuanian National Fund.

Harold Gatton Presented 30-Year Pin

Harold Gatton, computer scheduling specialist, Automated Systems Office, received a 30-year Federal Service Award pin on August 22 from Edmond L. Applebaum, Associate Librarian for Management.

Harold Gatton and Edmond Applebaum

Mr. Gatton began his career at the Library of Congress in August 1949 as a tabulating equipment operator trainee. He was then promoted to senior operator and in May 1957 to tabulating machine operator supervisor. In September 1960 he was promoted to assistant head, Tabulating Section and in December 1965 to the head of operations, Control and Scheduling Section. He has been in his present position since October 1976.

Walter Hahn Marks 25 Years

Walter A. Hahn, Jr., senior specialist for science and technology and assistant chief of the Science Policy Research Division of the Congressional Research Service, recently received a 25-year Federal Service Award pin from CRS Director Gilbert Gude.

Mr. Hahn holds a bachelor of science degree in physics and a master's degree in public administration and has completed postgraduate studies in management science.

During World War II, he served with the Naval Air Transport Service and in several phases of undersea warfare. Upon release from active duty he was employed in research administration with the Office of Naval Research. In 1949 he was appointed to the staff of the National Academy of Sciences National Research Council as technical aid to the Committee on Undersea Warfare, of which he later became executive secretary.

From 1954 to 1962, Mr. Hahn was employed by the General Electric Co. in Syracuse, N.Y., where he was a systems planning engineer, manager of opera-

tions research and synthesis, and, for three years, manager of systems management research in GE's Defense Systems Department. During this period he also served for a time as consultant to Apparaten-industrie Defense Electonics N.V. in The Hague.

In January 1962, Mr. Hahn was appointed director of management analysis with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in Washington, D.C. He served as chairman of the National Aviation Weather Systems Study, a joint ad hoc activity of the Federal Aviation Agency and the U.S. Weather Bureau in 1964. When the Bureau became part of the Environmental Science Services Administration (ESSA), he was appointed director of planning and program evaluation. Mr. Hahn was later named assistant deputy administrator for policy development in ESSA. Early in 1969 he was assigned temporarily as a special assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for science and technology and was subsequently named Deputy Assistant Secretary for science and technology planning. In January 1970 he was selected as the senior research associate on the White House's National Goals Research Staff. Upon completion of the staff's report he returned to the Department of Commerce as the director of policy analysis. Mr. Hahn was appointed to his current position when he came to the Library of Congress in 1971.

Mr. Hahn is a member of the Institute of Management Sciences and has served as chairman of its College on Research and Development. He is also a member of the National Conference on the Administration of Research, the Operations Research Society of America, the Washington Operations Research Council, the American Society for Public Administration, and the Federal Management Council. He has written or edited a number of technical papers and is a frequent lecturer and contributor to professional journals.

Frederick B. McLendon Earns 25-Year Pin

Frederick B. McLendon, technical information specialist in the Congressional Reference Division, recently received a 25-year Federal Service Award pin from CRS Director Gilbert Gude.

Born in Martin, Fla., he served with the U.S. Air Force from 1951 to 1955. His career with the Library began in 1958 in the Office of the Director, Congressional Research Service, as a messenger. He has held several positions of increasing responsibility within a number of CRS offices and division. In 1971, while employed in the Congressional Reference Division, Mr. McLendon was promoted to and has since advanced in his current professional position.

Elizabeth Yadlosky Receives 20-Year Pin

Elizabeth K. Yadlosky, associate director, Office of Research, Analysis and Review, Congressional Research Service, was presented a 20-year Federal Service Award pin by CRS Director Gilbert Gude.

After receiving a bachelor of laws degree from Cornell University Law School in 1943, she worked with a private law firm in New York City where she specialized in tax law.

Her career with the Library began in 1958 as an attorney examiner in the Copyright Office. She transferred to the American Law Division of the Congressional Research Service in January 1961 as a legal analyst and digester. Her outstanding performance record resulted in her being named to several progressively responsible positions while in that division, culminating in a promotion to the position of specialist in American public law and assistant chief in 1973.

She was transferred and promoted to her current position on a temporary basis in August 1976. That appointment was made permanent in January 1977.

Management Fellowships Announced

The Library recently awarded Affirmative Action Management Fellowships to 25 employees interested in pursuing graduate study in supervision and management. The fellowships, first awarded in 1978 to 46 applicants, were developed primarily as a means of increasing the numbers of qualified minority and female potential applicants for midlevel management positions in the Library. The fellowships have, however, been open to and awards made to employees of all races and both sexes.

Employees in the program enter an accelerated study program sponsored by Central Michigan University which includes completing one graduate course per month in such areas as organization behavior and change, communications and management, personnel management, women in management, computer science, public policy, and American enterprise. The courses are taught after duty hours at the Library by Central Michigan University staff.

The fellowships pay 50 percent of the participants' tuition costs up to a total of $800 per person during the fiscal year. Sixteen renewal fellowships for 1980 were awarded to Welton Belsches, Gail Burke, Robert Colton, Gary Columbia, Josephine Drew, Lynda Fox, Daisey Jones, Juan Marrero, Leroy Neverdon, Talma Newsome-Blake, Alfredda Payne, Loya Pellegrino, Cynthia Shepherd, Carolyn Torsell, Denise Webster, and Wendy White. Nine employees

awarded fellowships entering the program for the first time this year are Gwenell Bass, Dorothy Coley, Sara Cytron, Marjorie Mastrangelo, Michael Grimm Miller, Michael P. Miller, Catherine Morales, Chrissie Nash, and John Sullivan.

Administrative Detail Program Selection Underway

Applications for the Administrative Detail Program for 1979-80, included in the Library's Affirmative Action Plan under Section VI, "Women and Minorities in Management," will be accepted by the Women's Program Office until September 21. Staff members selected for the program will serve 90-day details from November through February 2, 1980. The program enables staff members who are motivated but have had little if any prior management experience, a short-term opportunity to exercise, develop, and evaluate their interest in the potential for administrative work.

Further details of the program are outlined in a Special Announcement distributed recently to all staff members.

15 Receive Ten-Year Pins

During August, 15 Library staff members completed 10 years of service and received Federal Service Award pins:

Michael J. Benedik	Shared Cataloging Division
Joanna L. Burns	Cataloging Division
Robert H. Davis	Buildings Management Division

G&M Receives Student Aid

Nine colleges participated in this year's 29th Map Processing Project sponsored by the Geography and Map Division. The project ran from July 9 through August 17. Students representing the colleges were involved in a variety of tasks in all sections of the division. In exchange for these services they selected over 30,662 duplicate maps and charts and 2,174 duplicate atlases for their libraries' collections.

Students who took part in this year's project were (seated, left to right) Robert Perdue, University of West Florida; Mary Larsgaard, Colorado School of Mines; Janet Collins, Western Washington University; Patricia Hudnut, Western Michigan University; and Donald Daidone, Virgina Polytechnic Institute and State University; (standing, left to right) Daniel Seldin, Indiana University; Paul Stout, Ball State University; Richard Embers, University of Kansas; and Karl Proehl, Pennsylvania State University.

Jacqueline P. Edwards	Financial Management Office
Morris D. Friedman	Federal Research Division
Cassandra A. Hoskins	Cataloging in Publication Division
Cynthia J. Johanson	Collections Management Division
Nick J. Kozura	Automated Systems Office
Margrit B. Krewson	Loan Division
James R. Meditz	Federal Research Division
William V. Rowland, Jr.	Collections Management Division
DonnaW. Scheeder	Congressional Reference Division
Edgar A. Sheppard	Buildings Management Division
William N. Taylor	Cataloging Distribution Service
Jacquelyn R. Watts	Cataloging Division

Staff members are reminded that in order to receive a **10 percent discount** at the Information Counter, they must show their Library identification cards before the item is rung up on the cash register. Discounts apply only to purchases of $1 or more and to purchases in person only of material produced by the Recorded Sound Section, the American Folklife Center, and through other Library gift and trust funds. Items produced by the Photoduplication Service, such as slides, some postcards, and certain photocopies, and publications issued by the Government Printing Office are not discounted.

Staff Activities

Marvin W. McFarland, chief of the Science and Technology Division, spoke at the Wright Brothers National Memorial Museum in Kill Devil Hills, N.C., near Kitty Hawk, at an observance on August 19 of the 108th birthday anniversary of Orville Wright,

Mr. McFarland (left) pictured in the Museum Building with William Harris in front of a reproduction of the Wright 1903 machine. (Photograph by Aycock Brown)

co-inventor of the airplane. Given the nature of the assemblage of about 200 people, Mr. McFarland's topic was simply "Orville Wright." He was introduced in generous and gracious remarks by William Harris, superintendent, Hatteras Seashore, U.S. National Park Service.

Paul Finkelman, assistant professor of history at the University of Texas and J. Franklin Jameson Fellow of the Library of Congress and the American Historical Association for 1978-79, is the author of "*Prigg v. Pennsylvania* and Northern State Courts: Anti-Slavery Use of a Pro-Slavery Decision." The article appears in the March issue of *Civil War History: A Journal of the Middle Period* (Vol. 25).

Richard L. Webb, searcher in the Bibliographical Section of the Shared Cataloging Division, conducted a seminar on "Eastern European Foods" for Montgomery County Public Schools. These talks were held in conjunction with the county's "Multi-Ethnic Convention" held on August 29 and 30.

September, October Colloquia Set

The Scholars Committee is sponsoring for its Thursday, September 20, colloquium a talk on "Two Women Writers of 20th-Century Germany: Edith Stein and Gertrud Von Le Fort" in the Wilson Room at 2:30 p.m. Former instructor of English and humanities at Howard University Freda Mary Oben will be the speaker, while the head of the Modern Languages Department at Howard University, Martha Cobb, will serve as commentator.

At 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23, "A Fresh Start in a New Town: A View of American Mobility" will be the subject of discussion with guest speaker Molly G. Shuchat from Behavior Service Consultants, Inc., of Greenbelt, Md.

Sessions usually last about an hour and will include both the presentation of and comment on the topic.

Announcements

The **American Red Cross Bloodmobile Unit** will visit the Library on Wednesday, September 19, from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at the Whittall Pavilion. Donors are requested to use regular shuttle bus service to the Library of Congress Building. Staff members wishing to donate blood should register with keyworkers in their respective divisions.

In accordance with LCR 2015-17.4, all blood donors may be granted a maximum of four hours excused absence, which includes the actual time spent giving blood and a rest and recuperative period immediately following. The time of donation must be approved by the supervisor and a Form 13-73a (*Blood Donation Verification*) must be submitted to the supervisor following donation.

Because of scheduling problems, only those staff members who have signed up through the Health Services Office will be permitted to donate blood at the designated times. A monitor will be present to check names as donors arrive.

Arrangements for blood replacement for Library personnel and members of their families may be made by calling the Health Services Office on ext. 76053.

Roy and Virginia Basler celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on August 31 at a reception near their summer home in Delaware. Dr. Basler was chief of the Manuscript Division from October 1968 until he retired on December 31, 1974. Some 30 members of the Basler family and a few friends and neighbors were present on August 18 to witness their commitment to another 50 years of marriage.

The Welfare and Recreation Association **Cooking Club** will open its membership rolls during the month of September. Eligibility is limited to WRA members. Those interested may contact club president Vivian Fitzgerald on 287-7944.

Birth Announcement

Frances and Kevin Talley are the parents of a son, Jason Roth, born on July 31 at Alexandria Hospital. Mrs. Talley is a reviewer-reviser in the Visual Arts Section, Cataloging Division. Mr. Talley is employed in the office of Congressman William F. Goodling of Pennsylvania.

Personnel Changes

Appointments: Ricardo Brown, microphotographer trainee, GT-3, Photodup, OP ALM-104; Irina Fatiadi, searcher-editor, GS-5, Loan, 90247; Judith Mintz, editorial assistant, GS-5, CRS F, 90374; Deborah Moore, editorial assistant, GS-5, CRS ENR, 90375; Joanna Morgan, deck attendant (trainee), GS-3, Ser, OP GR-104.

Temporary Appointment: Tarria Burwell, library aid, GS-1, Ord, NP; Karen Cornell, library technician (trainee), GS-4, Mus, NP; Robert T. Dwyer, Jr., vault collection attendant, WG-3, M/B/RS, NP; Roberta Galati, caption assistant and searcher, GS-5, P&P, NP; Anna-Maria Jamrosz, caption assistant and searcher, GS-5, P&P, NP; Christopher Lampton, library assistant, GS-5, M/B/RS, NP; Richard Liang, translator, GS-9, CRS ARS, 90386; Michael Mitchel, deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, GR-113; James Nard, Jr., deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, GR-113; Susan Priel, library aid, GS-1, FRD, NP; Eva Shade, deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, GR-113; Ronald Taylor, deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, GR-113; Elizabeth Trumble, caption assistant and searcher, GS-5, P&P, NP; Donald Williams, vault collection attendant, WG-3, NP.

Promotions: Christine Anderson, to assistant division secretary, GS-6, CRS SPR, 90490; Richard Battle, Photodup, to telecommunications specialist, GS-5, Com Serv, 90466; Charles Brown, to serials accessioner, GS-5, CRS L, 90405; Marie Durkin, Cop Acq & Proc, to cataloger, advanced trainee, GS-7, Cop Cat, 90454; Verne Griffin, to accounts maintenance clerk (trainee), GS-4, Cop Acq & Proc, 90345; Deborah Idlett, to lead copyright preservation clerk, GS-6, Cop Rec Mgmt, 90473; Orrell Lencho, to assistant division secretary, GS-6, CRS F, 90595; Jennifer Little, to assistant division secretary, GS-6, CRS F, 90595; Sophia Matalik, to clerical assistant, GT-3, Photodup, ALM-101; Barbara Phillips, FRD, to clerical assistant, GS-5, FLC 90477; Timothy Saffell, CDS, to systems analyst, GS-13, ASO, 90363; Clara Shakelford, to supervisory check attendant elevator operator, WS-2, Bldgs, 90512; Rosie Shivers, Cat Mgmt, to acquisitions technician, GS-5, CRS L, 90340; Debra Smith, Pers R&P, to position classification and organization specialist, GS-7, Pers PC&O, 90425; Theresa Varela, to assistant division secretary, GS-6, CRS F, 90595; Mary Vorhies, Cop Plan & Tech, to documents exchange assistant, GT-5, E&G, 90304; Mary Wolfe, to clerk, GS-6, CRS A, 90526; Libushe Zorin, Sci, to language specialist, GS-9, FRD, 90261.

Temporary Promotions: Doris Templemon, NLS/BPH, to clerk-typist, GS-3, P&P, NP.

Transfers: Byron Francis, CRS L, to deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, GR-113; Gerald Greenwood, Pers PC&O, to labor management relations specialist, GS-12, Pers, 90452; Carnetha Lee, Cat Publ, to

clerical assistant, GS-3, Desc Cat, 90303; Janice Rothwell, P&S, to accounting clerk, GS-5, CDS, 90287; Katherine Tittel, Cop Exam, to supervisor, Clerical Support Unit, GS-5, Cop Inf & Ref, 90358; Cheryl Warren, Cat Mgmt, to files and correspondence clerk, GS-3, Cop Acq & Proc, 90460.

Resignations: Eric Frazier, Col Mgmt; Alexander Gordon, Cop Inf & Ref; Bruce Hake, CRS S; Brenda McMillan, Cop Inf & Ref; JoAnn McNally, CRS SPR; Patricia Najjum, Preserv; Warren Randall, G&M; Lisa Ray, Col Mgmt.

APPENDIX

Continuing Reports on the 98th Annual Conference Of the American Library Association

Dallas, Texas, June 23-29, 1979

Library and Information Technology Association

LITA Program. The LITA program meeting entitled "Star Trek—or Library Automation: Reality and Science Fiction" took place on Tuesday, June 26. Taking the form of a demonstration of the Delphi Method, the program illustrated possible future developments in library automation. Ten panelists were asked a series of questions by the moderator. After each question, the panelists showed their answer to the audience. The panelists, who could not see each other's answers, were informed of the range of responses and then allowed to modify their answer. After each question, several panelists were asked to explain the reasons for their answer. The questions which were asked and the range of answers suggest rapid technological development for the future of libraries.

Some of the questions and answers are described below. When will access to information about in-process research in science and social sciences be widely available? (Range of answers: 1981-1993.) When will a fully integrated on-line catalog be economically viable for small-to-medium and medium-to-large libraries? (1981-1990.) On the average, how much does it cost a patron to do one on-line search today and in 2000? (0-$2;0-$5.) When will AACR 3 be adopted? (Never; 1982-2000.) When will home or office on-line information delivery systems like Teletext be available to at least 25 percent of the U.S. population? (1984-2001.) Should one national network emerge and if so, when? (2 yes, 6 no; 1984-1999.) Will the computer ever replace the role of the cataloger and if so, when? (2 yes, 7 no; 2000-2019.) The program meeting was followed by the LITA membership meeting. [*Susan C. Biebel*]

Video and Cable Communications Section Program. The program, held on Sunday, June 24, was co-sponsored by the LITA Audiovisual Section, with the cooperation of AASL Video Communications Committee. Part I was entitled "Print Sources for Video" and presented three speakers. Part II, "From Video to Film: Problems of Conversion and Utilization," offered two speakers. Cochairing the program were Ron F. Sigler of the School of Library Science, University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, and Lynne Bradley, District of Columbia Library, Washington.

After some general announcements and handouts by Lynne Bradley, moderator Emma Cohn of *Film Library Quarterly* in New York introduced the first speaker in Part I. Anne Hollingsworth of the Texas State Library at Austin presented her ideas and experiences in long-lange planning for video collection building. She cited the changing technology and many restrictions which librarians must consider. It is possible to acquire almost anything on video tape today that was previously only available on 16mm film, and the video tape is a fraction of the cost of film. Duplication rights can be acquired from these video companies which may also lower costs. The speaker distributed a sample of the Duplication Agreement the Texas State Library uses as well as their Video Loan User Agreement. These are to inform the users of this medium and to protect the library from copyright law violation suits. Additional sources she listed of video tapes are local television stations and national networks as well as independent companies.

Deirdre Boyle of *Wilson Library Bulletin* was the next speaker. She described "Criteria for Video Reviewing," and the many things to look for when buying audiovisual equipment and tapes. By showing representative tapes on various television monitors set up around the room, she presented examples of the esthetic terms she uses. These terms include (1) studiovideo—formal, "talking heads" type, edited while being taped; (2) real camera—filming as things really happen or are caused to happen, "man on the street" interviews, and the like; (3) processed video—special effects used such as color, ghostly images, and super-imposition; and (4) slick video—much like film, computerized editing, sophisticated techniques. She emphasized that quality and techniques of transferring film to tape and made-for-video productions are continuing to be explored. There are many new, different types of audiovisual material available, and librarians and media specialists were urged to remember this wide range when viewing and reviewing them. She then listed a few more sources of reviews included in the handout, "Video Resources," by Arlene Farber Sirkin, who spoke next, describing her research and the scope of her bibliography of

nonprint source material of film transferred to video and original video. She emphasized the ever-growing number of sources.

Part II of the program began with Ron Sigler's introduction of Angie LeClercq, University of Tennessee Undergraduate Library, who explained some of the problems her library has encountered in purchasing and using instructional, entertainment, and informative video materials. She urged librarians to look to the future when buying video material. Some video tapes may get up to 300 plays, after which they need to be replaced, unlike books that last for years. Some material, however, may not be needed or wanted after its 300 uses and may not need to be replaced. She explained that film may be less expensive in the long run for certain works, instead of replacing video tapes year after year. When videodisc becomes common, it is hoped that this format will last much longer than tape or even some film. The speaker recommended librarians consider all types of media (book and nonprint) in order to bring the widest range of information to their libraries.

The final speaker was Barbara Bryant of Phoenix Films, New York. Her primary topic was the conversion of film to video and vice versa, the technical problems, limitations, and concerns from the viewpoint of an information specialist. She illustrated her points vividly with actual film-tape conversions shown on television monitors. She emphasized that videotape viewing is limited by the size of the screen and that it is most effective when used for small groups. The color resolution is also generally better on smaller screens. The speaker pointed out the advantages and disadvantages of both formats and urged librarians to be aware of the many aspects of audiovisual media. [*Lynda D. Fox*]

Audiovisual Section Executive Committee. Ronald Sigler, chair of the LITA Audiovisual Section, announced at the June 27 meeting of the Executive Committee the results of the election, with Wes Doak elected to serve as vice chair and chair-elect, and the appointments he has made to the Nominating, Program Planning, and Audiovisual Utilization Committees.

Mr. Sigler discussed the meeting sponsored by the section to be held later in the day. He noted that there are 50 groups in ALA with audiovisual concerns and that each of the groups was invited to attend the meeting to discuss and to establish an ad hoc committee to be called Audiovisual Future Development and Activities Liaison Committee. The committee will focus on the development of audiovisual activities within ALA and communication among the various groups.

Plans for a preconference to be held in 1980 were discussed briefly. William Sloan will chair the committee which is doing the planning, and it is anticipated that the conference will take up the subject of administration and the media librarian of the 1980s. [*Vivian L. Schrader*]

Video and Cable Communications Section Distribution and Exchange Committee. Marilyn Rehnberg, who chaired the June 25 meeting of this committee, discussed the responses received to date from various clearinghouses of video, noting that a feasibility study is being made by the committee in order to determine which of these clearinghouses it can use as potential models.

Barbara Webb, Baltimore County Public Library, referred to her recent paper which addressed issues to be considered when coming into a network and providing a clearinghouse for video, noting the cost studies she had made as well as the alternatives considered for making copies of video available to the user—using a master tape and duplicating the titles in various formats, providing an interlibrary loan of tapes in the format submitted, or providing an interlibrary loan of tapes in any format requested.

It was agreed that the committee would continue its study on video clearinghouses, recognizing the need for the committee to relate to a clearinghouse already in existence.

The committee has been collecting copies of videographies in anticipation of inputting the titles into a computer title base. It was noted that additional work will be necessary before the titles can be input into a data base. The committee agreed that a 60-minute video sampler should be produced to be used at the ALA convention in 1980 in order to illustrate the use of video. The matter was referred to the Program Planning Committee.

Lynne Bradley, chair of the Video and Cable Communications Section and a video librarian, discussed the need for more video librarians to catalog their collections and to input the items into networks so that others may utilize and share the cataloging record. It was noted that the Audiovisual Section, Descriptive Cataloging Division, Library of Congress, is cataloging video recordings, using a NICEM (National Information Center for Educational Media) Master Input Report Form to describe the video items. Steps will be taken to relay this cataloging service to members of VCCS. [*Vivian L.Schrader*]

Miscellaneous Meetings

AACR 2 Implementation Studies Committee. This committee met on Monday, June 25. It praised the col-

umn on code implementation and catalog closing in the *RTSD Newsletter* and the *Alternative Catalog Newsletter*, edited by James Thompson of Johns Hopkins, as vehicles for communication of new developments. (The latter newsletter will continue to be issued only on microfiche.)

Since this was a committee meeting rather than a program, many topics were touched upon. The Library of Congress will continue to sell catalog cards. The ARL model for estimating costs for alternative solutions to catalog control will only be as good as the data a library uses with it. Since every library differs in its needs, users, physical layout, and procedures, each must weigh the impact of various strategies and decide how best to proceed. Smaller libraries may have fewer difficulties because they tend to have a smaller proportion of corporate headings. Libraries with COM catalogs will be justified in feeling uneasy until they learn how COM vendors will use the authority tapes the Library of Congress is preparing with AACR 2 headings. The need to focus separately on the two major issues was emphasized: AACR 2 implementation and the physical form of the catalog—card, book, COM or on-line. How will decisions about each affect access to a library's collection?

After reflecting that studies of code implementation were necessary but that the committee could not conduct them, that appropriate means for communication of studies exist, and that although AACR 2 poses difficulties additional committee meetings for one hour twice a year were unlikely to reduce them, the committee decided to recommend its dissolution. [*James E. Agenbroad*]

IRRT Program. The International Relations Round Table June 24 program on "Professional Work at the International Level" added the flavor of personal experience to descriptions of cooperative international projects in various areas of librarianship. Doralyn Hickey of North Texas State's School of Library and Information Sciences served as moderator and began the program by introducing Jane Franck, chair of IRRT and coordinator of the program.

Linda Beeler, the first of 10 speakers, addressed school librarianship, outlining the history of two major organizations in this area, the International Association of School Librarianship (IASL) and the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) Section on School Libraries. International interest in this topic is a phenomenon of only the last decade and there is still a scarcity of information. The only regular publication dealing with international school librarianship is the newsletter of IASL.

Margaret Coughlan, reference specialist in children's literature at the Library of Congress, spoke on international work in children's services. She discussed the relationship of the work of the Children's Literature Center at the Library of Congress to the activities of the IFLA Children's Libraries Section, emphasizing the importance of international contacts to bibliographic work. The IFLA Children's Libraries Section has had joint programs with the Hospital Libraries Section and cooperates with the School Libraries Section of IFLA.

The status of international cooperation in services to the handicapped was outlined by F. Kurt Cylke, director of the Library of Congress National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. The 1977 IFLA conference marked the first time this topic was addressed from an international perspective. Some of the benefits of international cooperation to date have been three UNESCO grants for specific projects, standardization of cassette technology among Australia, New Zealand, Canada, the U.S.S.R., and the United States, and tentative agreement on a standard MARC format.

Ernest Siegel, director of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md., spoke on public libraries, describing his adventures during a CLR Fellowship study tour of major public libraries in Canada and Europe and giving examples of the challenges of providing public library services in various countries. He also described some of the activities of the International Association of Metropolitan Libraries (INTAML).

The topic of university libraries was covered by Jane Flener of the University of Michigan. The University Libraries Section of IFLA has some 250 members. Cooperative efforts have included a guide to the availability of theses throughout the world and some UNESCO-sponsored pilot projects in developing countries to share scientific and technological information with sectors outside the university.

William B. Ernst, University of Illinois, Chicago Circle Campus, reported on international interlibrary lending. With the days of increasing budgets probably in the past, interlibrary lending is assuming greater importance internationally. The IFLA Office of International Lending serves as a clearinghouse and coordinating point for developing better guidelines and standard procedures. The findings of recent studies of international interlibrary lending were reported in some detail.

Margaret McElderry, Atheneum Publishers, reported on the International Board of Books for Young People (IBBY). Founded after World War I, IBBY now has a membership of teachers, librarians, editors, publishers, writers, artists, government officials, and other interested individuals throughout

the world. Congresses held every second year are planned around a broad central theme. The IBBY Board works closely with UNESCO and other international bodies and sponsors the Hans Christian Anderson Awards to illustrators and authors of children's books.

The topic of bibliography was addressed by Boyd Rayward of the University of Chicago Graduate Library School. Throughout its history, IFLA has made major contributions to the field of bibliographic control and has succeeded in making universal bibliographic control a potentially realizable idea. Mr. Rayward discussed some new directions for international cooperation in bibliography and related areas: classification (for which a new round table has been set up), bibliographic control of journal articles, retrospective bibliography, bibliography in developing countries, authority systems and files, a model law for legal deposit, and an "international switching language" for science and technology.

William J. Welsh, Deputy Librarian of Congress, spoke about universal bibliographic control (UBC). Mr. Welsh currently serves as the chair of the Steering Committee on Universal Bibliographic Control. The programs for UBC, International MARC, and Universal Availability of Publications (UAP) will soon be united under one management committee. Mr. Welsh also described the structure of the IFLA Section on National Libraries, which he serves as secretary.

The program's final speaker was Henriette Avram, director of the Network Development Office, Library of Congress, and chair of IFLA's Section on Mechanization. She described her involvement with IFLA projects such as the International MARC Network. Her work in this and other programs has been directed toward the goal of expanding the concept of resource sharing and universal bibliographic control.

This intensive IRRT program did an admirable job of summarizing the major aspects of international library cooperation in just a little over two hours. [*Dorothy Pollet*]

International Relations Committee. The committee, which met on June 26, is chaired by Jean E. Lowrie and its members are Ralph Blasingame, Jr., Jane P. Franck, Doralyn Hickey, E. J. Josey, Anne Pellowski, Mathilde Rovelstad, and Allen Veaner. Henriette D. Avram, Library of Congress, briefed the committee on the International Organization of Standardization (ISO), its relation to other international organizations, and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). Mrs. Avram described how standards are established both in this country and in ISO and the resources saved in the United States by the adoption of ISO standards where applicable.

The committee discussed at some length the document giving the criteria to be used in the selection of (1) candidates to represent ALA abroad and (2) consultants to serve abroad. The committee voted to transmit the document after modification to the ALA Executive Board for its approval and recommendation to Council. The subcommittee members responsible for the document were thanked for their efforts.

Doralyn Hickey, in the absence of John Byrum, chair of the RTSD International Cataloging Consultant Committee, reported on the programs to date of that committee. The RTSD committee feels the division should be involved in all aspects of technical processing efforts abroad. Preliminary recommendations for RTSD international activities have been transmitted to the RTSD board for its consideration at the Midwinter Meeting. The International Relations Committee recommended that Jean Lowrie represent the committee at the RTSD hearings during the Midwinter Meeting. [*Henriette D. Avram*]

NPAC and Special Foreign Currencies Acquisitions Programs. Frank M. McGowan, director for acquisitions and overseas operations, Processing Services, Library of Congress, reported on developments in the National Program for Acquisitions and Cataloging (NPAC), and Rodney G. Sarle, Chief, Overseas Operations Division, reported on the Special Foreign Currencies Acquisitions Programs at an open meeting on Tuesday evening, June 26.

In his review of NPAC, Mr. McGowan reported that the House Legislative Appropriations Subcommittee reduced the Library's request for both books and subscriptions to the bibliographic services provided by the NPAC overseas shared cataloging centers by $647,000, necessitating cutbacks in the Library's acquisitions of foreign materials. To accommodate the reduction in funds sustained this fiscal year and what is likely to occur in the next year, the Library seeks to minimize duplication and to eliminate the least needed titles. Blanket order dealers have been instructed to spend no more this year than what was spent last year, absorbing inflationary increases by cutting selections. Reduced funding resulted in closing the Barcelona Shared Cataloging Center on March 31. The Paris Center will close on September 30.

The Library's blanket order for Spanish publications was recently placed with Librerias Puvill of Barcelona. The work of the center is being absorbed by the Shared Cataloging Division of the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. Coverage of current

Spanish materials has not been disrupted by these changes.

Mr. McGowan reported that the Chinese/Korean Searching Project has accumulated a backlog of outside library reports because of being seriously understaffed for the past six months and because of a dramatic rise in the number of reports submitted during the last three months. The project's staff should be restored to full complement within the near future, thus reducing the backlog. The increase in reports is attributed to changing the basis of reporting by outside libraries from one of titles received to one of titles ordered. The change will expedite the identification and acquisition of Chinese and Korean titles for which libraries require cataloging data. In regard to East Asia, the Library has attempted unsuccessfully in recent years to establish an official exchange of publications with the National Library in Beijing, which has only now agreed in principle to the proposal. Details are currently being worked out. Production of the Japanese national bibliography has been slowed by a reorganization within the National Diet Library.

Turning to cataloging matters Mr. McGowan reported that the Library's plans to expand romanization of cataloging exclude only monographic records in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Arabic, Hebrew, Persian, and Yiddish. The Library remains committed, however, to a long-range policy of inputting machine-readable bibliographic records in a combination of nonroman and roman characters.

To make available cataloging records for publications which would otherwise be relegated to semipermanent arrearages, a proposal to limit the cataloging of low-priority materials to a minimal level which would stand as final cataloging, except in extraordinary cases, is now being explored at the Library of Congress. The minimal level would exclude subject analysis, both subject headings and classification, and publications so cataloged should be shelved in compact storage, arranged according to size and accession number or LC card number. According to Mr. McGowan, the records may be published in the *National Union Catalog* and possibly made available through computer tapes and catalog cards. Several problems, largely internal, must be resolved before the proposal can be implemented. If minimal level cataloging is applied to low-priority publications published in East Asian or Semitic languages, the records distributed would be in romanized form, or if not in romanized form, then not at all.

Mr. McGowan announced to the meeting that the Library's system of cataloging priorities was under review and that a new system was being considered (see the LC *Information Bulletin* for August 17, pp. 320-322). Draft copies of the new scheme were available for those interested in the question, and comments about the new priorities were solicited. The most significant change may be that publications in English will be ranked higher than material of comparable need or research value in other languages.

Following Mr. McGowan's report, Rodney Sarle reviewed developments in the Special Foreign Currency Acquisitions Programs centered at Cairo, Karachi, and New Delhi and in the Cooperative Acquisitions Program at Jakarta.

In regard to the Cairo program, Mr. Sarle reported that Congress has yet to act finally on the fiscal year 1980 appropriation request allowing for the continuation of the Cairo office under the National Program for Acquisitions and Cataloging (NPAC). If dollars are appropriated, a cooperative acquisitions program will replace the present program funded by Special Foreign Currencies which will come to a close with the depletion of U.S. Government-owned excess Egyptian pounds, a situation that is expected in fiscal 1980.

In anticipation of either the demise of the program or the continuation of the program at a reduced level because of reduced funding, libraries participating in the Middle East program have been asked to cut serial selections and to indicate subject and geographical interests, thus reducing selections to a level that each individual participating library can support in a dollar-financed program. Because of the reductions already effected, the Cairo office is now handling about one-third fewer publications than it did a year ago. Should a cooperative program materialize in 1980, participating libraries will receive only current monographs falling within the broad subject classes by country as each selects, along with the serials selected. Although serials will be selected on a title basis, monographic selections on a title basis cannot be accommodated. Assessments for program participation will be on the basis of selections.

Libraries participating in the Southeast Asia Cooperative Acquisitions Program centered at Jakarta and others interested in the region have benefited during this last year by the microfiching of approximately 2,000 titles at the Library's New Delhi office. Almost all titles selected for microfiching have been Indonesian imprints unavailable in multiple copies. Efforts are being made to expand coverage by securing copyright clearances to microfiche Malaysian titles. Microfiche editions are available by purchase from the Photoduplication Service of the Library of Congress. Titles available on microfiche are identified in *Accessions List: Southeast Asia*.

Beginning with the January 1979 issue responsibility for printing and distributing *Accessions List: South-*

east Asia has been assumed by the New Delhi office from the Karachi office. The *Indonesian Cumulative List of Serials*, 1974-1978, will be published early in fiscal 1980 and later in the year a cumulative list of serials acquired from Malaysia, Singapore, and Brunei will be published, covering 1977-79. Shortly *Accessions List: Southeast Asia* will be expanded to include titles acquired from Burma and Thailand through the New Delhi office which now has local responsibility for the acquisition of publications from these two countries for the Library of Congress. Monographs and serials acquired directly from Burma and Thailand by the Library and not through the New Delhi office will not be listed in *Accessions List: Southeast Asia*.

Mr. Sarle reported that the New Delhi office recently tabulated the cost of comprehensive and basic sets of publications distributed to each participating library. Based on costs for the first half of fiscal 1979, the projected annual cost of a comprehensive set is about $27,500 and a basic set for all languages $21,250. The actual cost for many sets distributed to participating libraries runs much less since not all languages are selected by each library. The New Delhi office will have a computer report on the subscription costs for serials sent to each participant by next November. Each participant will receive a listing of titles selected with the subscription price for each.

Soon the New Delhi office will initiate a series of reports providing the titles of monographs co-published internationally and bearing the name of an Indian city in the imprint which have been rejected by the office for the program. This report should be useful to participants in reducing duplications or in filling in gaps in the acquisition of Indian titles.

The New Delhi office is currently studying the possibility of selling subscriptions to *Accessions List: India* as a means of recovering production costs and making the publication generally available; it has heretofore been restricted in its distribution.

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